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Acting Associate Administrator for
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Research & Special Programs Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation
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Attn: Exemptions, DHM-31

Ref: Request for Modification of Exemption DOT-E12124 (Fourth Revision)

Dear Mr. McGuire:

Albemarle Corporation requests modification of DOT-E12124 (Fourth Revision) which will expire on September 30, 2002. This request is made in accordance with 49 CFR 107.113.

1. Exemption to be Modified

DOT-E12124 is an exemption from parts of 49CFR173.242 in that a non-DOT specification portable tank is authorized; §178.245-1(c) in that all openings are not grouped in one location; and § 178.245-1(d)(4) in that the tank is not in a full framework for containerization and to allow a bottom discharge opening with no internal stop-valve.

2. Applicant

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3. Modification Requested

We request that the table in Paragraph 6 be modified to reflect the current proper shipping name of the second hazardous material in the table as reflected in the latest edition of the IMDG Code:

Pyrophoric organometallic compound, solid, water-reactive, n.o.s., 4.2, UN 3203, PG I

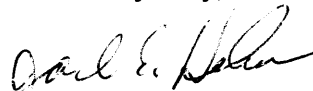
This is an editorial correction only and does not represent any change to the provisions of the exemption.

4. Certification

We certify that the descriptions, technical information and safety assessments submitted with the original application, and subsequent corrections remain accurate and correct. This exemption continues to provide a level of safety consistent with the public interest in adequately protecting against risks to life and property during transportation.

If any opposition is registered, we request copies of such filings subject to your fee schedule. If such filings are made, we request the opportunity of an informal discussion with your staff.

Yours very truly,



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